Illinois Commerce Commission Pipeline Safety Pipeline Safety Report

Inspection #: 2016-P-00160

Operator: AMEREN ILLINOIS COMPANY	Operator ID#: 32513					
Exit Meeting Contact: Chris Juliusson	Total Man Days: 4					
Pipeline Safety Representative(s): Kevin Hecker, Matt Smith						
Company Representative to Receive Report: Michael Fuller	Emailed Date:					
Company Representative's Email Address: mfuller2@ameren.com	05/20/2016					

Inspection Summary

Inspection Type	Location	ICC Analyst	Inspection Unit(s)	Man Day(s)	Inspection Date(s)	Contact(s)
Standard Inspection - Field Audit	Jacksonville	Kevin Hecker, Matt Smith	Jacksonville		4/12/2016, 4/13/2016 (Half), 4/13/2016, 4/14/2016 (Half)	Chris Juliusson
Design Testing and Construction	Jacksonville/Perry	Kevin Hecker	Jacksonville		4/14/2016 (Half), 4/15/2016 (Half)	Chris Juliusson

Statement of Activities

On April 12-15, 2016, Staff conducted a field and construction audit for Ameren Illinois at the Jacksonville Operating Center in Jacksonville, IL. The purpose of these audits was to determine compliance with applicable IL Adm. Codes and the Code of Federal Regulations adopted via IL Adm. Part 590.

During the Field Audit conducted on April 12-14, 2016, Staff reviewed various records and maps to identify locations for inspection. Staff was supported by Gas Technical Services, Corrosion Control and a field employee during the audit. Special attention was given to isolated services in the Jacksonville area. While conducting pipe-to-soil readings of isolated services, an extremely low reading of -.230 was obtained at 294 Sandusky in Jacksonville. It was determined by the operator that the service would be replaced, allowing Staff the opportunity to conduct a service replacement audit the morning of April 15, 2016.

During the afternoon of April 14, 2016, Staff inspected a pipeline replacement project in Perry, IL.

Exit Statement

During regulator station inspections on April 13, 2016, Staff requested to have the regulator stations #36-68 (located at Hardin and Routt, Jacksonville) and #36-9 (located on Massey near Western Knolls subdivision, Jacksonville) checked for lock-up. Both regulators failed. Upon further investigation, a foreign substance was discovered obstructing the boot, causing the regulators to fail the lock-up test. Because these regulators failed to properly lock-up due to a similar foreign substance, Staff is requesting that Ameren inspect all regulator stations in Jacksonville for lock-up by June 15, 2016. Once all stations have been tested then a final report should be provided to Kevin Hecker. The report must include: the location, date tested, a copy of the inspection records, whether the regulator passed or failed lock-up, and any actions taken. Furthermore, Staff recommends that Ameren determine the cause of the foreign substance. If the cause cannot be definitively identified then inspections beyond the Jacksonville area should be inspected to determine if there are issues with the gas quality.

INSPECTION FINDINGS

Design Testing and Construction

Issues(s) Found:

[NO ISSUES FOUND]

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Notice Of Amendment(s) Found:

[NO NOAS FOUND]

Notice Of Violation(s) Found:

[NO NOPVS FOUND]

Standard Inspection - Field Audit

Issues(s) Found:

2014-S002-00121 (Code Part [192.353(a)]) - The meter set at 18 Somerset, Jacksonville, was low with the meter touching the ground.

2014-S003-00121 (Code Part [192.353(a)]) - The meter set at 901 W. Morton Avenue, Suite 101, Jacksonville, was low with the meter touching the ground.

2014-S004-00121 (Code Part [192.353(a)]) - The meter set at 212 Sandusky was low with the meter touching the ground.

2016-S001-00007 (Code Part [192.479(a)]) - The meter set at 285 Sandusky, Jacksonville, had minor atmospheric corrosion present.

Notice Of Amendment(s) Found:

[NO NOAS FOUND]

Notice Of Violation(s) Found:

[NO NOPVS FOUND]

PAST INSPECTION FINDINGS

Issue(s) Corrected:

[NO ISSUES CORRECTED]

Notice Of Amendment(s) Corrected:

[NO NOAS CORRECTED]

Notice of Violations(s) Corrected:

[NO NOPVS CORRECTED]